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This entire thing has gotten totally out of control. Too many people are trying to make careers out of attacking this fine company at every turn. I am sickened by the number of people and competitors who choose to abuse the legal system rather than competing in the market place.

Everyone has grown weary of this - no one cares anymore but Sun, Oracle, Apple and certain state's Attorneys General who smell another tobacco settlement cash horde (regardless of the true facts of the case). Microsoft should not be forced to fund the state's 'general fund', nor should, for instance, Apple's poor marketing and product plans be paid-for with Microsoft's hard-earned profits.

Microsoft has made some concessions and very generous offers for settlement. Let's be reasonable - tell the professional litigators and unethical competitors to find another company to abuse and move on with their lives.

Enough damage has been done - accept the settlement now.

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